

REMARKS

The title of the application has been amended merely to describe more aptly the invention as now claimed.

Claims 17, 18 and 29 have been provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 18 and 21-23 of copending Application No. 10/174,454, and also over claim 28 of Application No. 10/140,309.

Applicants are submitting herewith a terminal disclaimer designating Application No. 10/174,454, and a terminal disclaimer designating Application No. 10/140,309 to obviate these bases for rejections. It is therefore respectfully submitted that claims 17, 18 and 29 are now patentable to Applicants.

Claims 3, 4, 7, 12-16 and 19-28 that were withdrawn from examination in this application have been canceled without prejudice.

Favorable consideration of this amendment, which is submitted to condition this application for allowance, is solicited. The Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned attorney for the Applicants regarding any remaining issue that may expedite favorable disposition of this application.

Respectfully submitted,
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